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# CENTRE REPORT

## TWO GOAL TREVOR CUP STAR

Wycombe Wanderers 0, Cherries 3 : by COLIN SMITH

**AFC BOURNEMOUTH** striker Trevor Morgan's two goals in this FA Cup first round tie could not have come at more appropriate moments in the match.

When Morgan rounded off his impressive display of forward grafting by scoring in the 77th minute it finally ended Wycombe's lingering hopes of saving the match.

The home side, two down at half-time, put everything into a second-half effort that produced their most menacing spell of the game.

But the Bournemouth defence, to which player-coach David Webb returned to play a key role, dealt with this danger in a confident manner.

The experienced Webb, veteran of 42 previous FA Cup appearances with six different clubs, wielded a big influence.

### CLEAR-CUT CHANCES

Wycombe worked hard enough, for an hour, in their attempts to find a way through. But Webb was always in the right place at the right time — and skipper John Impey and his defensive colleagues responded well.

It was not until the last minute that 'keeper Kenny

Allen was forced to make the second of two outstanding saves.

By that time the contest was settled by that Morgan goal.

It rounded off a remarkable

period of attacking by the Cherries, during which they created four clear-cut chances in a few minutes.

Nigel Spackman, in his best display for the team, seemed to revel in the conditions, and his work in midfield was a feature of the match.

### FADING CAUSE

It was Spackman who created the first of those openings with a strong run and an angled cross which beat



NIGEL SPACKMAN

Impressive midfield display

selves in a four-to-two situation, but Morgan was thwarted by Lester's smart save.

But a minute later the home defence was again wide open as Massey squared a short pass and **MORGAN** sent it into the empty net.

There was a further chance for Morgan to make it a hat-trick and, even after Allen's fine save from Jimmy Jacobs, another opportunity fell to Spackman, who fired over with just the last kick of the match.

Conditions on the greasy pitch, with rain falling most of the time, spoilt some of those scoring attempts. And they also produced a draw on Wycombe's stamina.

The Isthmian League part-timers had played a gruelling two hours in similar conditions four days earlier, in a county cup game that went to extra time.

That must have taken its toll and, although Wycombe opened with a flurry against Bournemouth — and made another concerted effort after the break — they could not match the strength and superior skills of their opponents.

Then the Massey-Morgan combination sent Tom Hefferon through on the left of the penalty area, only for the shot to rebound from the far post. Spackman shot wide from the rebound.

Wycombe were still gallantly pushing forward in a fast-advancing cause. But they were wary Wanderers by this time, and found it impossible to recover their defensive positions as Bournemouth launched relentless counter-attacks.

In the 76th minute a goal for the visitors seemed certain when AFC raiders found them-

headed back across goal for **MASSEY** to score his 11th goal of the season.

The "kicker" blow was provided by **MORGAN** a minute before half-time when he raced away, beating the outside trap to fire a well-taken goal.

Wycombe full-back George Borg was booked for complaining about this score, but it was he who left Morgan in an inside position.

The Bournemouth striker has figured in a winning side at Wycombe TWICE this season. On the opening day of the season, Morgan appeared as substitute for Leytonstone and Ilford, who won their Isthmian League game at Lakeside Park.

### NO BARRIERS

Wycombe were unbeaten in a run of 14 home games after that.

But that record, and the home team's familiarity with a side-to-side slope of 9ft, were no barriers for Bournemouth as they convincingly secured their place in round two of the FA Cup.

**Wycombe** Wanderers: Lester, Massey, Borg, Davies, Hardwick, Dell, Long, Jacobs, Glynn, Price, Holifield, Sub: Toll (for Dell 66 min.).

**AFC** Bournemouth: Allen, Cunningham, Moore, Impey, Heffernan, Webb, Ferns, Spackman, Morgan, Massey, Evanson, Sub: McGrath.

Referee: V. G. Callow (South).

Attendance: 4,768.